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RECORD OF TELEPHONE INTERVIEWS

On August 29, 2005, the undersigned attorney received a telephone call from Examiner Scott T. Baderman in which Examiner Baderman stated that the claims as then amended overcame the rejections then of record, but that in updating his prior art search he had found United States Patent No. 6,854,053 which he felt made the independent claims unpatentable. Examiner Baderman particularly brought attention to the Abstract and to column 6, lines 62-67 of the patent.

Examiner Baderman stated further that the size values set forth in dependent claim 16 resulted in that claim distinguishing patentably from Patent No. 6,854,053 as well as from the references already of record, and suggested that a Preliminary Amendment be filed to amend all the independent claims to include such a limitation.

The undersigned attorney obtained agreement from the Applicant for such a Preliminary Amendment and on September 2, 2005 so advised Examiner Baderman by telephone. Examiner Baderman requested that the Preliminary Amendment be sent directly to him at his facsimile number at the United States Patent and Trademark Office, and the undersigned attorney did so on that date. However, on September 8, 2005 the undersigned attorney received another telephone call from Examiner Baderman advising that the Examiner had now been informed that for the Preliminary Amendment to be facsimile filed, it must be sent by facsimile to the official Patent and Trademark Office facsimile filing number - - 571-273-8300.

The courtesy of Examiner Baderman in initiating and conducting these interviews is appreciated.

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REMARKS

Claims 1-30 are presently pending in this application. Claims 1-12, 15, 16, 19, 20, 23, 24, 27, and 28 have been amended to more particularly define the invention.

The amended claims set forth that a PCI target device is specified based on base address values and size values and on the target address. Such features are not disclosed or suggested in Patent No. 6,854,053 or in the other references of record.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant submits that claims 1-30, all the claims presently pending in the application, are patentably distinct over the prior art of record and are allowable, and that the application is in condition for allowance.

Should the Examiner find the application to be other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary in a telephonic or personal interview.

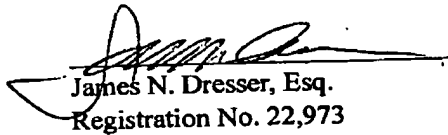
To the extent necessary, Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper,

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including extension of time fees, to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully Submitted,


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CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that I am filing this Preliminary Amendment by facsimile with the United States Patent and Trademark Office to Examiner Scott T. Baderman, Group Art Unit 2113 at fax number 571-273-8300 this 8th day of September 2005.


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